

Table 4 Drug Use among 9th Grade Students, 1995 (Percentage)

| | Source | <u>Cannabis</u> | | <u>Other Drugs, Ever Used</u> | | | | Index |
|--------------------|--------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-----|---------|----------------|-------|
| | | Ever Used | Last 12 months | Amphetamine | LSD | Cocaine | Any other drug | |
| Australia | d | 52 | 37 | 10 | 17 | 3 | -- | 1.98 |
| Austria | b | 10 | -- | -- | -- | 2 | -- | 0.01 |
| Belarus | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Belgium | b | 19 | -- | -- | 3 | 1 | -- | -0.16 |
| Bulgaria | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Canada | c | 41 | 28 | 7 | 10 | 2 | -- | 1.07 |
| Croatia | a | 9 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | -0.56 |
| Cyprus | a | 5 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | -0.50 |
| Czech Republic | a | 22 | 16 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 | -0.15 |
| Denmark | a | 17 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | -0.51 |
| England & Wales | a | 40 | 34 | 12 | 14 | 3 | 21 | 1.72 |
| Estonia | a | 7 | -- | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | -0.83 |
| Finland | a | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -0.89 |
| France | a | 12 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 1 | -- | -0.42 |
| Germany | b | 21 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0.22 |
| Greece | a | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | -- | -0.82 |
| Hungary | a | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -0.92 |
| Iceland | a | 10 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | -0.45 |
| Ireland | a | 37 | 33 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 16 | 1.06 |
| Israel | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Italy | a | 19 | 18 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 0.32 |
| Japan | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Latvia | a | 5 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -0.90 |
| Lithuania | a | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1.02 |
| Luxembourg | b | 6 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -0.90 |
| Malta | a | 8 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | -0.61 |
| Moldovia | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Netherlands | b | 31 | 19 | 8 | -- | 4 | -- | 1.16 |
| New Zealand | e | 50 | 20 | 9 | 13 | -- | 22 | 1.51 |
| Northern Ireland | a | 23 | 20 | 6 | 11 | 2 | 14 | 0.69 |
| Norway | a | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | -0.64 |
| Poland | a | 8 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | -0.65 |
| Portugal | a | 7 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | -0.75 |
| Romania | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Russian Federation | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Scotland | a | 53 | 46 | 22 | 21 | 2 | 31 | 2.72 |
| Slovak Republic | a | 9 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | -0.61 |
| Slovenia | a | 13 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | -0.51 |
| Spain | a | 15 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 1 | -- | -0.26 |
| Sweden | a | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | -0.82 |
| Switzerland | f | 27 | -- | 3 | 3 | 2 | -- | 0.20 |
| Ukraine | a | 14 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -0.72 |
| United Kingdom | a | 41 | 35 | 13 | 14 | 3 | 21 | 1.78 |
| USA | a | 34 | 29 | 17 | 8 | 5 | 24 | 1.90 |

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